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In the Application of Klaus Weber, et al

Ser.No.: 10/089,196

Filed: March 22, 2002 / June 13, 2002 (371 Date)

For: APPARATUS HAVING AT LEAST TWO PROCESSING STATIONS AND A
DEVICE FOR LOADING AN UNLOADING

Art Unit: 3652

Examiner: Charles A. Fox

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR TWO-MONTH TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

With reference to the above-identified application, and pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), applicant hereby respectfully requests that this application be granted a two-month extension to February 28, 2004 (Monday).

This request for time extension is filed concurrently with an **RCE Application**.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17, a check for \$450.00 is enclosed. It is requested that any fees required or any shortages in any fees due, now or at any time during the examination of this application, be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Respectfully submitted,

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